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1. BELL AND BOYCE MET WITH MOHAMMED RABIEH, DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL TEACHERS TRAINING, MINISTRY OF EDUCATION. ON JULY 2. IN REVIEWING OHIO STATE PROPOSAL. WHICH WAS STILL AWAITING FINAL APPROVAL, RABIEH INDICATED THAT THE MINISTRY WOULD PREFER TO HAVE THE PROPOSAL PRESENTED IN A MORE CONCISE FORMAT ALONG THE LINES OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED BY BOTH PARTIES. THE MEMORANDUM WOULD STIPULATE PRECISELY WHAT EACH PARTY AGREED TO PROVIDE. HE EXPLAINED THAT THE PROPOSAL AS CURRENTLY COMPOSED MADE IT DIFFICULT FOR THE IRANIANS TO SORT OUT THE TREES FROM THE FOREST. FOR PURPOSES OF TRANSLATION AND CLEARANCE THROUGH MINISTRY'S FISCAL DEPARTMENT, HE ADVISED THAT WE PRESENT A SHORTER DOCUMENT. ACCORDINGLY, THE EMBASSY HAS PRE-PARED A DRAFT MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WHICH INCORPORATES THE CENTRAL POINTS OF THE OHIO STATE PROPOSAL. THE DRAFT HAS BEEN CLEARED WITH RABIEH.

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2. REGARDING THE PROPOSED BUDGET, RABIEH SAID THAT THE MINISTRY WAS NOT CONCERNED WITH THE ITEM-BY-ITEM BREAKDOWN OF THE TOTAL SUM. THEY PREFER INSTEAD A SINGLE FIGURE REPRESENTING THE TOTAL COST. THEY ALSO PREFER THAT TRANSPORTATION COSTS REFLECT ONLY THOSE EXPENSES TO BE INCURRED IN THE UNITED STATES AND IN TRANSPORTING THE EXPERT TO IRAN. ONCE THE EXPERT ARRIVES IN TEHRAN, THE

MINISTRYIS TO PAY FOR ALL HIS IN COUNTRY HOTEL,
TRAVEL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES. THEREFORE IN THE
PROPOSED MEMORANDUM, WE HAVE LEFT BLANKS WHERE THE TOTAL
COST TO BE INCURRED OUTSIDE OF IRAN IS MENTIONED.
PLEASE REVISE THE TOTAL COST ESTIMATE IF AS CURRENTLY
CONSTITUTED IT INCLUDES COSTS TO BE INCURRED WITHIN
IRAN.

- 3. PLEASE REVIEW THIS PROPOSED TEXT AND INFORM US VIA IMMEDIATE CABLE OF ANY CHANGES YOU WISH TO MAKE. ALSO PLEASE INFORM US OF PROCEDURE FOR SIGNING; I.E., CAN EMBASSY SIGN FOR THE NATIONAL CENTER?
- 4. PROPOSED TEXT FOLLOWS. BEGIN TEXT: A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE IRANIAN MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR RESEARCH IN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY--IN RESPONSE TO UNDERSTANDINGS REACHED DURING THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE IRANIAN-AMERICAN JOINT COMMISSION ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OBJECTIVES AND REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN THE PROPOSAL, "TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT OF IRAN," SUBMITTED TO THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION IN MAY 1978, THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR RESEARCH IN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING:

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- 1. THE NATIONAL CENTER WILL SEND AN AMERICAN EDUCATION EXPERT IN THE FIELD OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND TEACHER TRAINING TO IRAN FOR A PERIOD OF FOUR WEEKS TO: (A) CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CENTER FOR TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION, (B) UNDERTAKE A SURVEY ON TECHNICAL TEACHER TRAINING IN IRAN, AND (C) STUDY POSSIBILITIES FOR IMPROVEMENT AND EXPANSION OF TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS IN IRAN.
- 2. THE NATIONAL CENTER WILL PRODUCE A REPORT THAT INCLUDES RECOMMENDATIONS IN EACH OF THE AREAS MENTIONED IN SECTION 1, ABOVE. THE REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED IN THREE MONTHS TIME.
- 3. THE NATIONAL CENTER WILL ASSIGN THREE ADDITIONAL SPECIALISTS AND A SECRETARY TO WORK WITH THE EXPERT IN DEVELOPING THE REPORTS MENTIONED ABOVE.

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- 4. THE NATIONAL CENTER WILL PROVIDE THE ABOVE-MENTIONED SERVICES TO THE MINISTRY AT A COST OF DOLS(). THIS FIGURE INCLUDES ALL EXPENSES TO BE INCURRED OUT-SIDE OF IRAN.
- 5. THE MINISTRY WILL ARRANGE FOR AND FUND ALL TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS AND EXPENSES WITHIN IRAN, INCLUDING PRENOTIFICATION OF THE INSTITUTIONS TO BE VISITED, OBTAINING TICKETS FOR CARRIERS, HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS AND AUTO RENTAL.
- 6. THE MINISTRY WILL PROVIDE AN ENGLISH SPEAKING COUNTERPART TO TRAVEL WITH THE AMERICAN EXPERT.
- 7. MINISTRY WILL ARRANGE A SCHEDULE OF VISITATIONS THAT REFLECT A WIDE VARIETY OF INSTITUTIONS FOR INTERVIEWS AND OBSERVATION.
- 8. THE MINISTRY WILL PROVIDE A TRANSLATOR OF DOCUMENTS THAT ARE NOT WRITTEN IN ENGLISH.
- 9. THE MINISTRY WILL PROVIDE OFFICE SPACE AND OFFICE SUPPLIES.

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 $10.\,\mathrm{THE}$ MINISTRY WILL ASSIST IN OBTAINING ATYPEWRITER AND AN ENGLISH TYPIST.

11. THE MINISTRY WILL REIMBURSE THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR

THE TOTAL PROGRAM COST DOL () REPRESENTING ALL COSTS TO BE INCURRED OUTSIDE OF IRAN AFTER SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT AND PRIOR TO THE EXPERT'S ARRIVAL IN IRAN. THIS PAYMENT WILL BE TRANSMITTED BY THE U.S. EMBASSY, TEHRAN

12. THE U.S. EMBASSY, TEHRAN, IS AN INTERESTED PARTY FACILITATOR THROUGH WHOM THE MINISTRY AND THE CENTER WILL WORK.

THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY AGREE TO PLAN, IMPLEMENT AND EVALUATE THE AFORESAID PROGRAM OF TECHNIAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND TEACHER TRAINING.

FOR THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION FOR THE NATIONAL CENTER END TEXT.

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